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Dear Ben,

I appreciate your nice note. There are, however, several points of confusion.

I have not recently acquired a new daughter-in-law--unless my son has become a bigamist. Perhaps you have Vice Admiral Fred Turner in mind, although I don't know if he has recently taken on a daughter-in-law either.

Additionally, I am hardly in an "all-or-nothing" status with respect to my article. I hardly consider reducing an ll-page article to four pages as a matter of editing however. It defies me to understand why, because there is some similarity with my Boca Raton speech, you would be reluctant to print the other seven pages. There were a few hundred people in Boca Raton and there has been limited distribution of the text since then. Ben Schemmer's article appeared in toto in a nation-wide magazine with an extensive circulation and yet there was no reluctance on your part to print it without editing and with additions. In short, while you profess to be interested in "new material" only, there was nothing new in the Schemmer piece.

My objective was to give balance to your readers, not to refute Schemmer. Now that you have let so much time pass, I would prefer to publish elsewhere.

Sorry this one didn't work out--I thought I had made a good and timely offer.

Yours.

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